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STATISTICAL ROUNDUP

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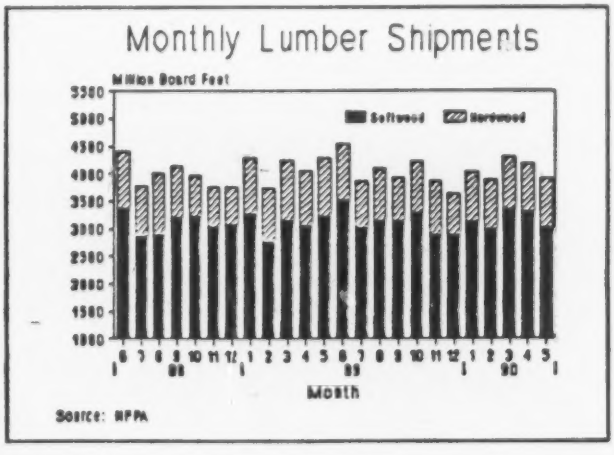
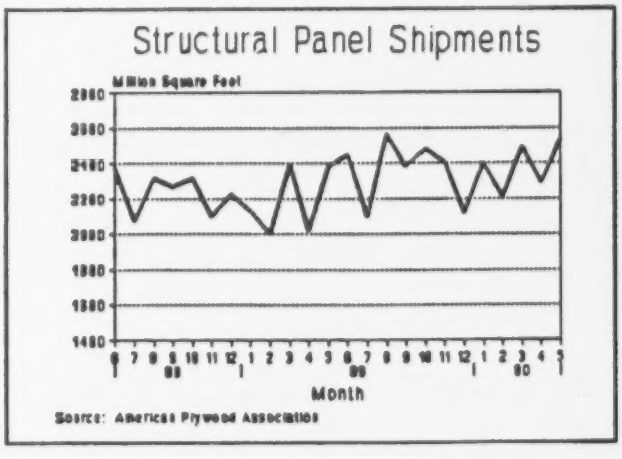
ESTIMATED INDUSTRY TOTALS BY PRODUCING REGION

	MAY, 1990			MAY 31, 1990		APRIL REVISIONS		
	Production	Shipments	Orders Received	Unfilled Orders	Gross Stocks	Production	Shipments	Orders Received
		(Million Board Feet)				(Million Board Feet)		
SOFTWOOD LUMBER								
Southern Pine Region	1,071	1,018	996	685	2,058	1,121	1,166	1,098
West Coast Region	785	773	783	537	862	845	840	808
Inland Region	922	915	859	535	1,437	951	950	889
California Redwood Region	178	171	153	98	373	183	201	186
Other Softwoods	148	144	140	251	313	155	158	149
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	3,104	3,021	2,931	2,106	5,043	3,255	3,315	3,130
% Change - Apr. 1990	-4.6%	-8.9%	-6.4%	-4.1%	1.7%			
% Change - May 1989	-2.0%	-6.5%	-8.7%	-10.2%	5.1%			
TOTAL HARDWOODS	936	887	906	NA	NA	866	858	941
% Change - Apr. 1990	8.1%	3.4%	-3.6%	NA	NA			
% Change - May 1989	-7.0%	-15.8%	-14.0%	NA	NA			
TOTAL LUMBER	4,040	3,908	3,837	NA	NA	4,121	4,173	4,071
% Change - Apr. 1990	-2.0%	-6.3%	-5.7%	NA	NA			
% Change - May 1989	-3.2%	-8.8%	-10.0%	NA	NA			
		(Thousand Feet)				(Thousand Feet)		
FLOORING								
Oak Flooring (Bd. Ft.)	NA	18,713	NA	16,470	7,087		16,351	
Maple Flooring (Sq. Ft.)	1,461	1,447	1,526	6,382	2,942	1,328	1,322	1,457
STRUCTURAL PANELS (Sq. Ft.)	2,542,105	2,533,241	2,355,707	784,958	512,000	2,359,059	2,290,265	2,081,810
% Change - Apr. 1990	7.8%	10.6%	13.2%	-25.0%	10.1%			
% Change - May 1989	8.9%	6.4%	-0.2%	-28.9%	-4.5%			





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YEAR-TO-DATE INDICATORS

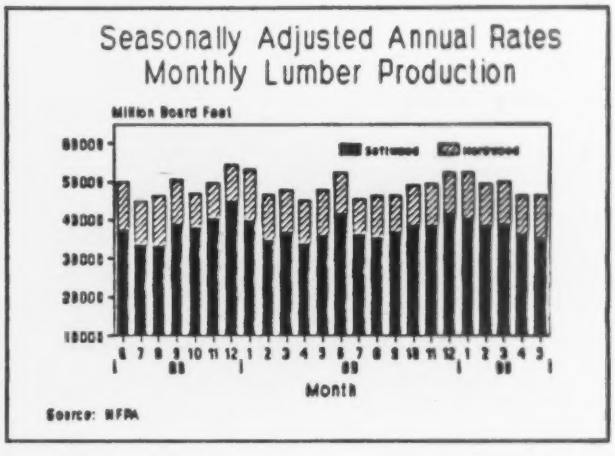
	PRODUCTION		SHIPMENTS		ORDERS RECEIVED	
	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change	Latest Period Available	% Change
	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'89	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'89	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'89
			(Million Board Feet)			
TOTAL LUMBER	20,495	1.6%	20,315	-1.2%	20,118	-2.2%
TOTAL SOFTWOOD	15,965	4.6%	15,820	2.3%	15,879	3.3%
TOTAL HARDWOOD	4,530	-7.6%	4,495	-12.0%	4,239	-18.5%
			(Million Square Feet)			
STRUCTURAL PANELS	12,073	10.4%	11,926	9.1%	11,681	7.5%

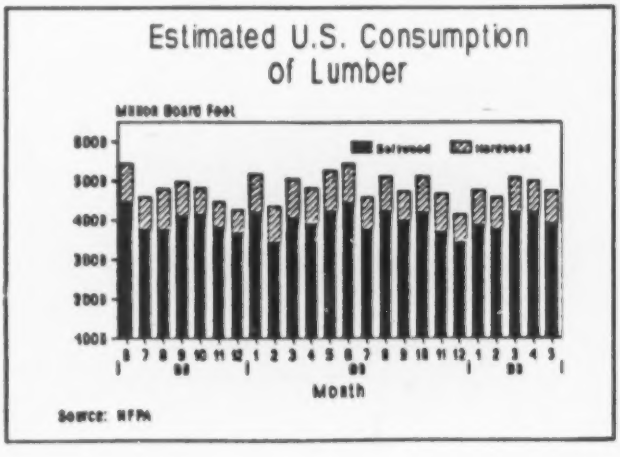
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ANNUAL RATES

	PRODUCTION			SHIPMENTS		
		---% Change From--			---% Change From--	
LUMBER REGION	May '90	Apr. '90	May '89	May '90	Apr. '90	May '89
	(Million Board Feet)			(Million Board Feet)		
Southern Pine	11,712	-8.0%	-5.1%	10,720	-20.8%	-16.5%
West Coast	9,171	-0.2%	-1.0%	8,511	-7.3%	-0.3%
Inland	10,613	3.5%	0.8%	10,497	-1.0%	1.7%
Calif. Redwood	1,944	-11.8%	-0.6%	1,925	-15.0%	-7.1%
Other Softwoods	1,679	-3.5%	-2.0%	1,596	-11.7%	-6.5%
TOTAL SOFTWOODS	35,120	-2.8%	-1.9%	33,249	-11.1%	-6.3%
TOTAL HARDWOODS	11,072	9.3%	-7.0%	10,219	4.4%	-15.8%
TOTAL LUMBER	46,191	-0.1%	-3.2%	43,467	-7.8%	-8.7%

DOMESTIC LUMBER CONSUMPTION

	CURRENT			YEAR-TO-DATE	
	Latest Month Available	----% Change From----		Latest Period Available	% Change From
	May '90	Apr. '90	May '89	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'89
		(Million Board Feet)			
Total Consumption	4,732	-5.5%	-10.2%	24,161	-2.0%
Softwood Consumption	3,901	-7.3%	-8.0%	19,935	0.6%
Hardwood Consumption	831	3.8%	-19.3%	4,226	-12.7%



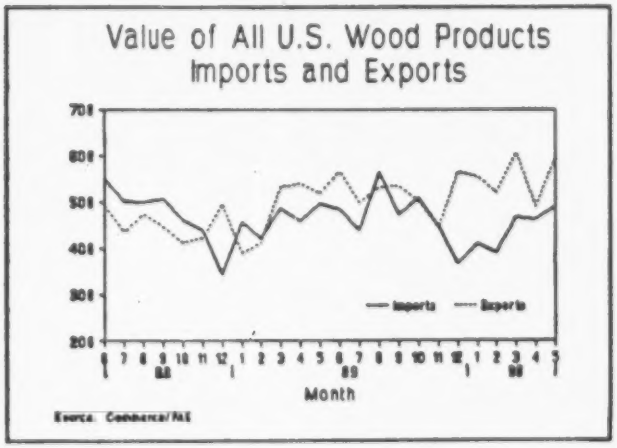


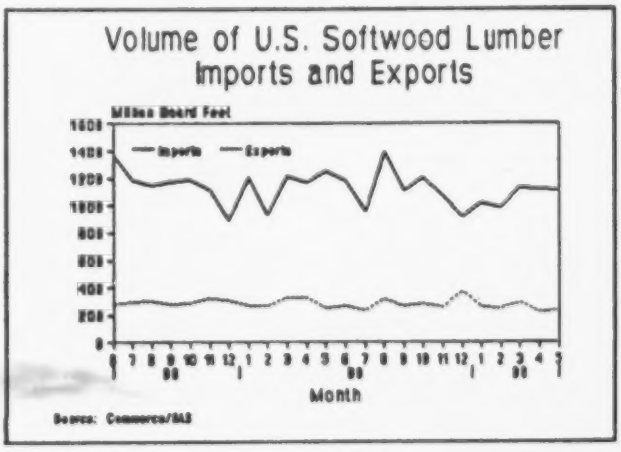
INTERNATIONAL TRADE STATISTICS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		May '90	5 mo. 1990	% Change From Apr. '90	% Change From 5 mo. 1989	May '90	5 mo. 1990	% Change From Apr. '90	% Change From 5 mo. 1989
EXPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	232.8	1,254.3	2.6%	-12.2%	110,672	584,608	2.2%	7.9%
To Canada	MMBF	42.8	229.9	-5.7%	10.0%	17,549	93,088	-6.6%	40.2%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	381.9	1,623.2	58.3%	-12.8%	215,284	868,013	66.4%	2.6%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	105.1	727.2	-6.7%	31.9%	21,137	146,081	-9.2%	56.3%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	82.3	383.5	11.9%	-8.8%	79,696	368,611	14.9%	34.5%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	19.1	108.9	-21.2%	-20.9%	24,728	137,709	-20.5%	7.6%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	159.2	729.8	8.6%	NA	18,526	84,315	13.6%	31.4%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	47.5	269.7	-24.6%	36.5%	3,712	21,512	-26.4%	16.9%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	27.6	105.1	18.6%	64.2%	8,475	33,315	11.0%	38.8%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	9.7	55.3	-19.2%	-42.1%	3,608	20,617	-17.5%	42.4%
ALL OTHER						107,733	491,222	16.0%	28.8%
TOTAL U.S. EXPORTS						594,978	2,762,816	21.6%	15.7%
IMPORTS									
SOFTWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	1,112.7	5,369.2	-0.5%	-7.2%	251,307	1,170,438	1.4%	-9.8%
From Canada	MMBF	1,106.5	5,346.9	-0.8%	-7.0%	248,175	1,157,862	0.9%	-9.7%
SOFTWOOD LOGS	MMBF	1.3	5.9	33.7%	-52.0%	643	2,249	93.7%	-58.7%
SOFTWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSF 3/8"	3.6	20.5	-50.0%	20.5%	1,384	6,455	3.1%	7.3%
HARDWOOD LUMBER	MMBF	26.4	114.6	62.6%	-25.6%	15,776	72,813	43.1%	-17.4%
HARDWOOD LOGS	MMBF	1.0	4.8	34.7%	-43.0%	1,277	4,908	57.7%	-34.6%
HARDWOOD VENEER	MMSFsurf	139.1	712.9	-6.2%	NA	13,963	70,902	-3.1%	-0.9%
HARDWOOD PLYWOOD	MMSFsurf	252.3	1,067.5	15.1%	-7.9%	54,914	223,095	23.5%	15.9%
HARDBOARD	MMSF 1/8"	73.8	296.1	14.3%	-8.5%	5,395	20,463	24.5%	1.4%
PARTICLEBOARD	MMSF 3/4"	21.7	134.7	-3.3%	-27.4%	5,290	33,606	-8.7%	-28.3%
MDF	MMSF 3/4"	3.4	25.7	-41.1%	22.9%	721	2,681	42.8%	-54.6%
OSB/WAFERBOARD	MMSF 3/8"	145.7	555.6	-0.9%	NA	14,506	53,913	-0.4%	NA
ALL OTHER						122,792	558,278	5.9%	-3.4%
TOTAL U.S. IMPORTS						488,670	2,221,173	5.8%	-4.3%

Notes: (1) Volume data may contain errors because of transition to the HS system of tariff classification. Commerce data reported in metric units under the HS are converted to U.S. standard units of measure for this table.
(2) Because of revisions made to data on hardwood lumber exports, year-to-year changes are not meaningful.
(3) Imports of other pine lumber for the period July 1989 - February 1990 were adjusted based on average per unit value of imports during the first six months of 1989. Hence, NFPA-reported softwood lumber imports vary from official government estimates.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, FAS.





U.S. EXPORTS TO MAJOR MARKETS

		VOLUME				VALUE (F.A.S. Thousands of Dollars)			
		May '90	% Change From April '90	YTD '90	% Change From YTD '89	May '90	% Change From April '90	YTD '90	% Change From YTD '89
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	34,895	-7.5%	183,641	-4.5%	27,620	1.9%	130,922	34.0%
Softwood Logs	MBF	1,608	-15.7%	6,649	-13.2%	797	-11.5%	3,049	-12.4%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	65,498	-5.4%	500,861	12.6%	12,838	-5.7%	97,862	34.7%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	27,647	26.7%	117,725	-14.5%	30,827	22.6%	132,238	27.6%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	5,758	-27.7%	33,538	-41.8%	7,937	-33.0%	48,405	-11.8%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	NA	NA	NA	NA	10,701	7.2%	50,386	36.9%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	593	368.3%	2,711	57.7%	225	77.2%	1,126	54.9%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	654	-34.9%	5,447	34.8%	297	-38.8%	2,463	49.8%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	2,244	-34.6%	18,688	-43.8%	187	-63.7%	1,935	-31.2%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	9,416	2.0%	43,618	6.3%
Subtotal						100,845	1.9%	512,001	23.3%
PACIFIC RIM									
Softwood Lumber	MBF	108,115	4.9%	584,381	-14.8%	47,844	4.7%	257,445	0.3%
Softwood Logs	MBF	373,636	67.5%	1,514,851	-13.1%	211,701	73.6%	824,109	2.6%
Softwood Plywood	MSF 3/8"	1,178	-29.0%	NA	NA	308	-24.9%	1,293	-13.2%
Hardwood Lumber	MBF	18,837	9.4%	92,379	-31.3%	18,213	10.6%	89,969	7.6%
Hardwood Logs	MBF	8,341	-14.0%	40,653	-28.7%	10,135	-1.7%	48,664	-9.5%
Hardwood Veneer	MSFsurf	27,429	36.5%	121,351	NA	3,336	29.6%	15,113	-0.2%
Particleboard	MSF 3/4"	15,701	8.5%	58,650	79.7%	3,302	-12.4%	13,328	59.3%
MDF	MSF 3/4"	6,403	-22.7%	39,260	-55.0%	2149	-22.4%	13,196	20.4%
Hardboard	MSF 1/8"	9,238	-39.3%	59,907	-11.9%	577	-36.4%	3,930	-28.6%
Other		NA	NA	NA	NA	54,683	30.7%	237,952	15.3%
Subtotal						352,248	42.8%	1,504,997	4.2%

Notes: (1) EEC countries include: Belgium & Luxembourg, Denmark, France, West Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom. PACIFIC RIM countries include: Australia, China, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore and Hong Kong.

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(3) Because of new HS classifications, certain year-to-year changes are not meaningful and, thus, are noted with an NA.

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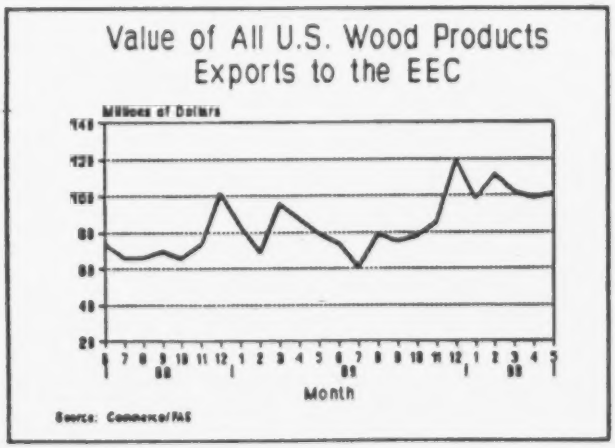

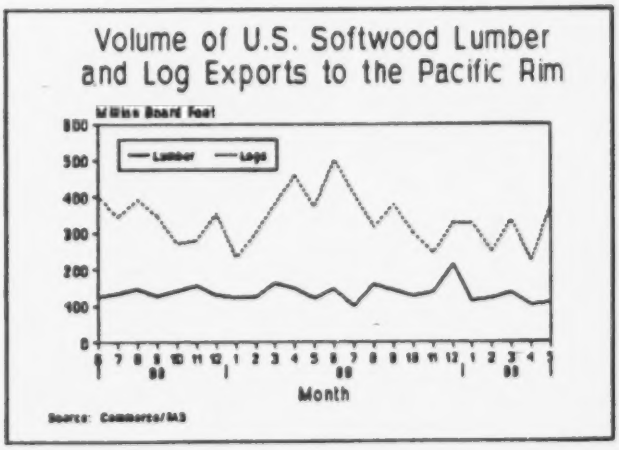

HOUSING STARTS

	June '90	May '90	June '89	6 mo.'90	6 mo.'89
			(Thousands of Units)		
NEW HOUSING UNITS STARTED					
Total Private	116.3	120.7	143.2	650.6	-8.1%
New Private Starts:					
Seas. Adj. Annual Rate	1,177	1,205	1,414	NA	NA
Northeast	114	128	168	NA	NA
Midwest	237	128	242	NA	NA
South	532	489	553	NA	NA
West	294	327	451	NA	NA
Single-Family					
Proportion of Total	70.0%			75.0%	
	May '90	Apr. '90	May '89	5 mo.'90	5 mo.'89
Shipment of Mobile Homes	18,100	16,200	19,100	77,600	-7.9%

INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT

	May '90	----% Change From--- Apr. '90	May '89
	(Thousands of Employees)		
TOTAL EMPLOYMENT (Seasonally Adj.)			
All Industries	110,757	0.3%	2.3%
All Manufacturing Industries	19,376	-0.1%	-1.5%
Lumber and Wood Products	761	-0.3%	-1.3%
Furniture and Fixtures	520	0.0%	-2.6%